

Amendment No. 1 to SB0780

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Signature of Sponsor**

AMEND Senate Bill No. 780

House Bill No. 636*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-506, is amended by deleting the language "The state is divided into thirty-one (31) judicial districts composed as follows:" and by substituting instead the following:

The state is divided into twenty-nine (29) judicial districts composed as follows:

SECTION 2.

(a) Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-506(14)(A), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(A) The fourteenth judicial district consists of the counties of Cannon, Coffee, Van Buren and Warren;

(b) Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-506(14)(B), is amended by deleting the language "three (3) assistant district attorney general positions and one (1) criminal investigator positions;" and by substituting instead the following:

six (6) assistant district attorney general positions and two (2) criminal investigator positions;

(c) Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-506(14), is amended by adding the following language as a new subdivision:

(C) Three (3) trial court judges shall be elected by the qualified voters of the fourteenth judicial district;

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SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-506(16)(A)(i), is amended by deleting the first sentence and by substituting instead the following:

The sixteenth judicial district consists of the county of Rutherford.

SECTION 4.

(a) Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-506(21)(A), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(A) The twenty-first judicial district consists of the county of Williamson.

(b) Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-506(21), is amended by adding the following language as a new subdivision:

(C) Four (4) trial court judges shall be elected by the qualified voters of the twenty-first judicial district.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-506(22)(A), is amended by deleting the first sentence and by substituting instead the following:

The twenty-second judicial district consists of the counties of Giles, Lawrence, Lewis, Maury, Perry and Wayne.

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-506(23)(A), is amended by deleting the first sentence and by substituting instead the following:

The twenty-third judicial district consists of the counties of Cheatham, Dickson, Hickman, Houston, Humphreys and Stewart.

SECTION 7.

(a) Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-506(27)(A), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(A) The twenty-seventh judicial district consists of the counties of Dyer, Lake, Obion and Weakley.

(b) Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-506(27)(B), is amended by deleting the language "three (3) assistant district attorney general positions and one (1) criminal investigator position;" and by substituting instead the following:

six (6) assistant district attorney general positions and two (2) criminal investigator positions;

(c) Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-506(27), is amended by adding the following language as a new subdivision:

(C) Four (4) trial court judges shall be elected by the qualified voters of the twenty-seventh judicial district.

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-506(29), is amended by deleting the language of the subdivision in its entirety.

SECTION 9. For the sole purpose of redesignating the "thirtieth judicial district" as the "twenty-ninth judicial district" in order that the judicial districts of the state will be numbered consecutively:

(a) Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-506(30), is amended by deleting the following language:

(30)(A) The thirtieth judicial district is composed of the county of Shelby.

and by substituting instead the following:

(29)(A) The twenty-ninth judicial district is composed of the county of Shelby.

(b) Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-506(30), is further amended by deleting the language "thirtieth judicial district" and by substituting instead the following:

twenty-ninth judicial district

SECTION 10. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-506(31), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety.

SECTION 11. For the sole purpose of determining compliance with district residency requirements imposed by Article VII, §§ 4 and 5 of the Tennessee Constitution, or by other law, for candidates at the August 8, 2014, general election, from the effective date of this act:

(a) Residents of Cannon, Warren and Van Buren Counties shall be deemed to be residents of the fourteenth judicial district;

(b) Residents of Perry and Lewis Counties shall be deemed to be residents of the twenty-second judicial district;

(c) Residents of Hickman County shall be deemed to be residents of the twenty-third judicial district; and

(d) Residents of Dyer and Lake Counties shall be deemed to be residents of the twenty-seventh judicial district.

SECTION 12. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-14-202(a), is amended in the first sentence by deleting the language "thirtieth districts" and by substituting instead the following:

twenty-ninth districts

SECTION 13. The provisions of this act shall not be construed to reduce the overall number of assistant district attorney general, assistant district public defender, district criminal investigator or administrative staff positions funded by the state.

SECTION 14. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 15. For purposes of administering the August 8, 2014 general election, this act shall take effect on becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it; and for purposes of transferring responsibilities, functions and resources among the affected judicial districts, this act shall take effect on September 1, 2014; provided, however, nothing in this act shall be construed as depriving any judicial officer of such officer's office, or as affecting or modifying the constitutional requirements of Article VII, Section 5 of the Tennessee Constitution.